

hands of the Receiver-General of this Province, for the time being, a sum of money not exceeding the sum of two hundred and ninety-five pounds, three shillings currency, for the purpose of repairing the Common Gaol of the District of Quebec.

Application of
the money to be
accounted for to
His Majesty.

II. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that the due application of the said sum of money herein-before granted, shall be accounted for to His Majesty, his heirs and successors, through the Lords Commissioners of His Majesty's Treasury, for the time being, in such manner and form as His Majesty, His Heirs and successors shall direct.

C A P. XII.

An ACT to extend the provisions of an Act passed in the thirty-fourth year of His Majesty's Reign, intituled, "*An Act for the division of the Province of Lower-Canada, for amending the Judicature thereof, and for repealing certain Laws therein-mentioned,*" and to provide more effectually for the administration of Justice in this Province."

(1st April, 1818.)

MOST GRACIOUS SOVEREIGN,

Preamble.

WHEREAS by an Act passed in the thirty-fourth year of His Majesty's Reign, intituled, "*An Act for the division of the Province of Lower-Canada, for amending the Judicature thereof, and for repealing certain Laws therein-mentioned,*" it is enacted, that the Court of King's Bench for the District of Quebec, shall consist of Your Majesty's Chief Justice for the said Province, and three Puisné Justices; and that the Court of King's Bench for the District of Montreal shall consist of your Majesty's Chief Justice of the said Court, and three Puisné Justices: And whereas there now exist in the said Courts proceedings wherein the said Chief Justices, or the said Puisné Justices may be incompetent to sit and adjudge in their respective Courts, by reason of sickness, and to execute the duties of their offices, whereby Your Majesty's subjects are put to great inconvenience and delay in the recovery of their just demands—Wherefore, we, Your Majesty's faithful and loyal subjects, the Legislative Council and Assembly of Lower-Canada, taking into consideration the Message in this behalf of His Excellency the Governor in Chief, to both Houses of the Provincial Parliament, humbly beseech Your Majesty, that it may be enacted, and be it enacted by the King's most excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and Assembly of the Province of Lower-Canada, constituted and assembled by virtue of and under the authority of an Act passed in the Parliament of Great-Britain, intituled, "*An Act to repeal certain parts*" of an Act passed in the fourteenth year of His Majesty's Reign, intituled,

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" An Act for making more effectual provision for the government of the Province of Quebec in North America," and to make further provision for the government of the said Province ;" and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same, that from and after the passing of this Act, it shall be lawful for the Governor, Lieutenant Governor, or person administering the government of this Province for the time being; whenever, by reason of illness, any, or either of the aforesaid Chief Justices, or Puisné Justices, cannot by Law preside, or sit in their respective Courts, to authorize and empower any other of the Judges in this Province to supply the place of, and perform the duties of such Chief Justice or Puisné Justice, incapable of acting as aforesaid, by reason of illness; or in case it may not be expedient so to do, to nominate, constitute, and appoint, by an instrument or instruments under the Great Seal of the Province, one or more Assistant Judges, to sit and act in the said Courts, or in either of them, during such illness.

Governor empowered to appoint Assistant Judges in certain cases.

II. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that the said Assistant Judges, who shall or may be as aforesaid nominated, constituted, and appointed, shall have the same power and authority in the Court of King's Bench for the District of Three-Rivers in term, as the Justices of either of the Courts of King's Bench for the Districts of Quebec and Montreal, now by law have, when sitting in term in the said Court of King's Bench for the District of Three-Rivers.

Assistant Judges to have the like powers as the present Judges.

III. And be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that this Act shall continue and be in force until the first day of May, one thousand eight hundred and nineteen, and no longer.

Continuance of this Act.

C A P. XIII.

An ACT to extend the provisions of an Act therein-mentioned, and to grant a certain sum of Money, more effectually to provide for the relief of infirm and insane persons, and for the support of Foundlings.

(1st April, 1818.)

Preamble.

WHEREAS it is expedient to make more ample provision for the relief of insane persons, and for the support of Foundlings, than hitherto hath been made, Be it therefore enacted by the King's most excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Legislative Council and Assembly of the Province of Lower Canada, constituted and assembled by virtue of and under the authority of an Act passed in the Parliament of Great Britain, intituled, " An Act to repeal certain parts of an Act passed in the fourteenth year of His Majesty's Reign, intituled,

" An Act